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DWELLS ON STEAK AND ONIONS!

An Up-to-date Diary Touching upon Practical, Every-day Life—President Roosevelt's Stand for Justice and Right Highly Commended.

EDITOR FREEMAN:—March 4th. I arose at 7 a. m. After dressing myself and performing the other necessary morning operations, including a walk of some distance, I was ready for breakfast. Breakfast is one of my strong meals. In fact, there is a certain element of strength in all my meals. But I like the fried morning meal the best of all. After I have spent the night swathed in sheets and bed clothing, I always arise with my body full of energy, and no where is this energy more pronounced than in my appetite. Made away with two pork chops, two tried eggs sunny side up, some French fried potatoes, one cup of coffee and two slices of buttered toast. I forgot to remark that for a foundation for all this I laid in a dish of Quaker oats and cream.

Read the papers. The world on yesterday must have been unusually dull, for the papers to-day were.

When I say the papers were unusually dull I may be too sweeping in my charge. Dullness in a newspaper is relative. What is dull to me may be highly interesting to my neighbor. I have seen my neighbor sleeping behind a paper I thought charmingly full of interest! Men differ in their mental appetite as much as they do in their physical ones.

Rained in the afternoon and I remained indoors and mused philosophy. Would it be egotistical in me to say that it is not given to every mind to muse philosophy? Therefore, my mind must be exceptional. I like Emerson. Why? He mused philosophy—wrote it and preached it as well. How it rains! Unusual for this time of year. What destinies are tied up in rains! Man proposes to do something. It rains and he cannot do it—never does it. Had he done it his destiny might have been different. Had it not been for the rains at Waterloo preventing Napoleon from bringing his heavy ordnance in action, the destiny of the whole world would have been different. Providence whipped Napoleon, and the power he used was rain.

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March 5th. The mail man has just passed by. I expect a letter. How provoking it is to see a mail man pass by when you are expecting a letter. In such a case, like stepping on a tack, you need strong religious training to refrain from committing yourself in language non-biblical,

Count that day lost whose low descending sun
Views from thy hand no worthy action don."

Therefore, I must count this day lost.

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March 6th. Hurrah! Steak and onions for breadfast. My favorate morning dish. Some green onions from California. As Bob Ingersoll says, a steak should never be fried, but broiled. If I ever go to the legislature, I will hardly get my seat warm before I will introduce "A bill to prevent the frying of steak." The sentence attached to the bill will be indefinite, or until the prison authorities are convinced the prisoner has entirely reformed and will never fry another steak.

"Let the devil come and go; let the wild waters rush over me; let nations rise and fall; let my favorite theories form themselves in line suddenly and run into the ground; let the little earth be bandied about from one belief to another; but, I say in the midst of my philosophy, I need not be in complete despair—the world still contains things for me" while I have steak and onions to eat.

"Fame may pass over my head; money may escape me; my dearest friend may fail me; every hope may fold its tent and steal away; happiness may remain a sealed book; every remnant of human ties may vanish; I may find myself an outcast; good things held out to me may suddenly be withdrawn; the stars may go out, one by one; the sun may go dark; yet, still I may hold up my head" if I have steak and onions to eat.

"I may find myself crowded out from many charmed circles; I may find the ethical world too small to contain me; the social world may [illegible] exclude me; the professional world may know me not; likewise the worlds of the arts and sciences; I may find myself superflous in literary haunts; I may see myself going back to the vile dust from whence I sprung—to live in a green forest like the melancholy Jaques; but fare they well, I will say with what cheerfulness I can summon," while I have steak and onions.

"Possibly I may grow old and decrepit; my hair may turn gray; I may grow weak in the knees; my ankle joints, which have withstood many a peripatetic journey, may develop dropsical tendencies; my heart may miss a beat now and then; my lungs may begin to fight shy of wintry blasts; my eyes may iail me; my figure that is now in its slim gracefulness, may swathe itself in layers of flesh, or worse, it may wither and decay and stoop at the shoulders; my red blood may flow sluggishly; but if I still have teeth to eat with, why need I lament" while I have steak and onions.

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March 7th. Some one across the way is learning to play a fiddle. A fiddle is one of the grandest instruments, when played properly, and the damnedest when not. I wonder if Jochum, or Ole Bull or any other of the great masters of the fiddle made such fuss when they begun playing. O fiddle, thou double dealing thing! In one pair of hands a tender loving thing; in another a most damuable one!

Have a cold, and every one I meet has a sure remedy. If all the remedies could do all that was claimed for them, it is really wonderful that such a thing as a cold exists.

Met a paradox to-day in the shape of a man who gave me a never failing remedy for a cold, and who a little later told me he had a cold that was worrying him and had been for two weeks.

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March 8th. My life to-day is dull. There is nothing about me to-day that suggest the me of yesterday. Yesterday I was full of sprightliness, to-day full of sluggishness. There was no task yesterday I did not feel capable of, to day drawing breath is an effort. Yesterday my mind was alert, and I translated some of the most difficult Latin with ease; to-day I cannot read the simplest English without my mind wandering.

These yesterdays and to-days come in every life. The doctors try to explain them. Some say it is the liver, while others say it is traceable to climatic causes. These are only guesses. Mankind must have a solution for everything, and when none other is found a guessed one prevails.

I cannot write to-day. My ideas clogg in my brain. I go to the window seeking relief from this stupidity, but none is there. I look in the glass, I look into space, I twist on my chair. I stretch out on my couch, I do all sorts of things, but my ideas will not come. Pen, rest is thine.

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March 9th. President Roosevelt is a great President. I admire him. How can one refrain from doing so? He has a strong personality. He is an embodiment of courage. At San Juan he proved to the world his courage. In the President's chair, despite the hue and cry of the South; despite the advice of time servers, he sustains that courage.

"I wouldn' treat mere color as a permanent bar to holding office, any more than I could so treat creed or birthplace, always provided that in other respects the applicant or incumbent is worthy and well-behaved American citizen. Just as little will I treat it as conferring a right to hold office." Thus wrote the President, and in this instance we see that never failing courage which marked his actions at San Juan, and which has marked his actions all through life. The President need have no fear for the manly courageous course he is taking, for he has God and right on his side. Long live the President!

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March 10th. To-day is one of those dark, soggy days which often comes in March. The clouds that hang so low are quite a puzzle to one not versed in weather lore; you can't tell whether it is going to snow, hail or rain, or whether the weather will give us a mixture of all these.

It has been raining and the streets are in bad condition. I always feel sorry for women when it rain. As they go along the streets with their dresses in their hands it seems as though walking then is a double effort to what it is in pleasant weather. As one hand is entirely incapacited for anything save holding up her dress, for the time being she is almost in the same condition as a man with only one arm. And if the useful arm is loaded, as is frequently the case, with bundles, then her condition is a pitiable one. If her nose needs blowing, or the wind shifts in the least the position of her hat, or her eye catches some extraneous matter, she must let things remain as they are or else drop her dress and run the chance of ruining it.

To walk with ease it requires the free use of both arms. Load one of a man's arms with bundles, put the hand of the other arm in the pocket of his trousers—or do anything else with it so he cannot swing it to assist his walking—then let him walk four or five blocks in this manner and he will get some idea of what a woman undergoes on a rainy day. When the man reaches his destination I will wager you he will do some strong complaining.

Women are patient creatures. They are marvels of endurance. They endure without even a murmer what would drive a man distracted. Man goes to war and does some heroic acts and the whole world applauds. Almost every day of a woman's life she exhibits these same heroic virtues unnoticed.

PETER GIBSON FINCH.

Doings of the Smart Set.

Mound City, Ill., Special.—Isom Chambers and Mrs. Liggens are on the sick list. Mrs. Mary Campbell was ill last week. The revival at the Freewill Baptist church has closed. George Willingham, Joe Franklin and May E. Douglass were baptized last Sunday at the foot of Pennsylvania avenue. Rev. H. Simms fills the pulpit regularly at the First Baptist church in the absence of Rev. W. Hancock. Mrs. Josie Bailey will soon erect a residence on Upper Main street. Wm. Hughes will leave for New Orleans on April 5th. Misses Verna Price and Irene Craig have closed their schools and are at home again. Miss Minnie Owens contemplates opening a hair dressing parlor in the near future. Miss Anna Ewing of Paducah, was the guest of Miss Anna Talley last week. A baby girl has appeared at the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Joiner last week. A pink bazaar is to be given about April 13th, by the Knights and Daughters of Tabor, which promises to be a social treat. A prize will be given to the lady receiving the most votes in a voting contest. A woman living near the National Cemetary died of small pox last week. Henry Chambers, Jr., of St. Louis, is in the city on account of the illness of his father. While on a hunting tour in a boat last week, John L. Sams and Joseph Adams were drenched by the capsizing of the boat, due to the discharge of a gun. Fortunately they were not in deep water and nothing serious resulted. The revival at the Freewill Baptist church, on Main street, has closed with 46 conversions, and 23 united with the church. Total collection $10.80.

At Rest in the Tomb.

Muncie, Ind., Special.—The funeral of Mrs. John Shoecraft was held at the Second Baptist church on the 15th inst., conducted by Rev. Warren. The Household of Ruth turned out in a body. Mrs. Felix Harrold, who has been seriously ill, is improving. The K. of P. Lodge will give their first grand banquet on the 31st inst., at Shirk's hall. Over three hundred invitations have been issued. The Second Baptist church will hold their church fair the first week in May. The social given by the Sewing Circle of the Second Baptist church, on Friday night of last week, was a financial success. The A. M. E. church has organized a circle and are at work preparing for a fair to be held some time in May. Charles Ward, of Farmland, died and was buried Thursday of last week. Deceased was well known here.

Nuggets New and Novel.

Carlinville, Ill., Special.—Miss Edith Floyd, of St. Louis, is attending her aunt, Mrs. Jackson, who is quite ill. Aaron Martin, of St. Louis, is visiting his father here. Benny Mosby, a boy of 16 years, won first prize in the high school oratorical contest recently, over white competitors. Nuby Hall, of Verden, and Miss Alice Ross, of Nashville, Tenn., were married here on the 10th inst. Joe McGee and Miss Mabel Anderson, of Shipman, were recently married by Rev. J. W. Teal. Rev. Griswold, of Alton, preached at the Baptist church last Sunday. J. Allen Smith is visiting his mother in Macon, Mo. Mrs. P. Black and daughter visited in Springfield recently. William Trimble visited here Sunday.

Society and Personal Notes.

Cairo, Ill., Special.—Great excitement prevails in the vicinity of Thirty first and Poplar streets, caused by eighteen streams of water spurting from the ground, and has been for the past fifteen days. Two hundred and sixty feet of ground is caving in and no one has been able to tell the cause. The ground is spongy for a hundred feet around. Large crowds visit the scene daily. The general concensus of opinion is that it is a sand vein extending from the Mississippi river, as a large quantity of sand comes out with the water. Mr. and Mrs. T. Marshall, of Current, Miss., have moved to the city, and have taken up their abode at 906 Commercial avenue. Miss Minnie Sams, of Mound City, visited Mrs. James Arder last week. The public is invited to be present at the grand ball to be given at the Twenty-sixth street hall April 13th, by Ed. Swain and David Johnson. Mr. and Mrs. Joe Ousley, 429 Douglass street, are the parents of a fine boy. Willie Hunter died at his home in Seventeenth street, on the 18th, after an illness of only a few days of double pneumonia. The deceased leaves a widow and one child. Mr. Claud Winters is the regular nominated candidate for mayor at the coming election, April 21st, and solicits the support of the race. Miss Snearling, of Humboldt, Tenn., is a guest of relatives in the city. Isom Stevens is ill at his home in Poplar street. Mrs. Anna McWilliams is visiting Mrs. Amanda Adams, in Memphis, Tenn. Frank Slaughter, who was called to Mt. Vernon, Ill., last month by the death of his father, has returned to the city. Mr. and Mrs. P. Morris gave a reception at their home, Sixteenth and Cedar street, last week, in honor of Miss Ada Brown and Mrs. Clara Hamilton. There were quite a number of invited guests present.

A Christian Lady's Death.

Columbia, Tenn., Special.—The death of Mrs. Dollie Watkins, which occurred last week at her home in N. Hill street, was a shock to her multitude of friends. She was a sincere christian and was greatly beloved by both colored and white. Miss Addie L. Frierson has returned to her home in Nashville, after a visit to Miss Emma L. Thomas in this city. Mrs. Frank Brown is convalescing. Mrs. H. T. Miller is recovering from a brief illness. John Whitaker has gone to Nashville for an indefinite stay. The members of the Star Musical club are preparing for another concert to be given at the First Baptist church April 13th. Miss Emma Simmons, of Chicago, is visiting her sister, Miss Bettie McKay, in High street. Clarence Y. Ewing and Miss Nettie Stephens were quietly married on the 19th at St. Paul A. M. E. parsonage, Rev. J. T. Gilmore officiating. Call on Luther L. Miller for The Freeman.

The Grim Reaper's Work.

Troy, O., Special.—Patrick Jones, one of our best citizens, died on the 17th inst. He was a faithful worker in the M. E. church, and was highly esteemed. Mrs. Eliza Calvest and Miss Annis Mack went to Chicago last week as delegates to the M. E. conference. Roxie Cecil, daughter of Mrs. Eliza Hughes, died on the 16th.

Normal Notes.

Normal, Ala., Special.—Prof. Young, President of the A & M. College, Tallahassee, Fla., visited Normal and inspected the work. He addressed the teachers and students body and made some very impressive remarks Pres Councill has been invited to deliver an address at tha closing of the M & F College Hopkinsville, Ky. The Henderson people also insist that he pay them a visit and address the citizens. President has many engagements booked for the spring and it is to be hoped that his health will permit him to fulfill them and continue his noble work for the upbuilding of the Negro race. The arrangements for the Summer school are about perfected It promises to be a very successful session.

Notable, Newsy Nuggets.

Mineola, Tex, Special—There is a class of men in this section who are fighting against the saloon men; there is another class who do not favor voting the saloon men out of business. The Prohi's would like to drive whisky out of the country. Peter Bynum has a sick child.

Mound City News.

Mound City, Ill., Special.—Mrs. Rosa Gill is ailing with rheumatism. Frank Wilkins is home on a visit to his mother, Mrs Margaret Wilkins Rev H. Dixon of Kentucky filled the Second Baptist pulpit Sunday. Mrs Margaret Atkins left on the 8th to attend the bedside of her daughter, Myrtle, who is seriously ill in Chicago Mrs Maggie Tansil and son Alonzo spent Sunday in Cairo with relatives Mrs. Annie Rice and daughter left on the 16th to join her husband in Springfield Ill Mrs. James Collins is visiting in Levings, Ill. M. M. Avant of Beechwood was in the city Sunday. Charles Caldwell has recently heard from his relatives whom he has been endeavoring to find for forty years Inquiry was made through the columns of The Freeman. C. W. Paschal has opened a grocery three doors north of the Second Baptist church. Give him a call. Essie Hawkins, a relative of Mrs. R. B Cochran, has removed from Taylorville, Ill., and is attending school. G W. Tanner of Cairo, Ill., an insurance agent for the Health and Accident Insurance Company of Saginaw, Mich., is in the city for the purpose of establishing branches here. Mrs. Mary Campbell wishes to hear from Miss Kempie Robison, either in Cairo or Metropolis. A small break in the river levee caused a bit of excitement Sunday night. Rev. O. J. Judge filled the A. M. E. pulpit Sunday.

Entered the Great Beyond.

Terre Haute, Ind., Special.—Richard Underwood, of Linton township, died on the 13th from pneumonia, after an illness of two weeks. He was buried Sunday afternoon under the auspices of the Masonic lodge. He owned 160 acres of land in Linton township. Rev. S M. Jones, of Mount Vernon, passed through the city on Monday, enroute to Danville. Ill. Revs. Jesse Henry and Wesley Williams, of the M. E church, went to Chicago this week to attend conference. Rev. Calvin Edwards is erecting a residence at Thirteenth street and Cruft avenue.

Church and Social News.

Lebanon, Ky., Special.—The revival meetings at the Zion church closed on the 11th, with good results Revival meetings are in progress at the Street church. Prof. Yearger, of Murfreesboro, Tenn., gave his moving picture exhibition at the Baptist church on the 14th, and at Zion church on the 19th. The audiences were highly gratified. The trustees' rally at Zion church on the 15th was a success. Hugh Ingram and Miss Lucy Reed were married on Wednesday night at the bride's home, Rev. T. A. Brown officiating. An excellent supper was served after the ceremony.

News Personal and General.

Youngston, O., Special.—Henderson and Granz Smith, of Chicago, were called to this city last week by the illness of their mother, Mrs M. Overstreet, who is recovering. Will Ganey, of Pittsburg, was in the city Sunday. George Coleman has left the city for Atlantic City to spend the summer. George Allen, S. M. Merrell, James Bennet and George Davis were made Master Masons on the 16th. Christian Holmes, who has been sick all winter, is slowly recovering. Perry Vactor and Miss Lydia Musgrull were married last week in Piqua, at the residence of the bride's parents. Miss Rhodie Holmes left last week for East Liverpool, O., to spend the summer. Miss Jessie Crawford, of Warren, was in the city last week visiting the sick.

City News Items.

Des Moines, Iowa, Special.—There was an astounding oration delivered by Attorney Woodson of Muchakinock, Iowa, at the A. M. E. church on the 15th. All that were under the sound of his voice seemed to be pleased. The subject was 'Patriotism and Martyrs." J. E Sheldon is managing a nice barbershop in C avenue, near University avenue Drop in and see him. A. L Smith is another enterprising gentleman (though not conducting a temperate vocation) and solicits your patronage. You that partake, drop in and spend your nickles with him 312 Third street. George J Holt is chorister of the A. M. E church choir, and is in need of twenty or thirty more voices to assist in a cantata entitled "Queen Esther." Those with an ear for music please assist him.

Albany Normal School Showing.

Albany, Ga., Special.—Dr. R. E Grier has been suffering with a severely snagged hand, but is much improved. Albany Normal school is closing out its tenth year most successfully. The enrollment three hundred and twenty-five, has been unusually large. The faculty consists of eleven teachers, graduates of the best schools, and come from different States The school is being equipped with the best aparatus, and the work done compares favorably with that done in other schools of the kind The course of study consists of thirteen years and well graded. They are looking forward to having a boarding hall in the near future and some industrial work for boys and girls. The work is growing rapidly, and the people for whom it is established can well rejoice. Levi Dawson is conducting an enterprising barbershop at 79 Broad street Subscribe for The Freeman. Mrs. Hattie Cromady is out again. Claude H. Daniels has accepted a position with T. L. Henderson, the reliable barber.

LITERARY CARNIVAL!

TO BE GIVEN NEXT WEEK IN BEHALF OF EWING CHAPEL.

WAITERS HAVE A JOLLY TIME!

The Church Club Captains are Getting Hold of the "Dough"—A Secret Marriage of Two Years' Standing Comes to Light—Social Doings.

Dallas, Tex., Special.—Bethel A. M. E. church has started a revival and asks the cooperation of all christians throughout the city. Rev. A. L. Stephens has been meeting with success in his protracted effort, which has been in progress three weeks. Mrs. Eddie Sallard, captain of The Freeman club, is meeting with financial success. The other captains are each doing their best. Don't forget the literary carnival to be given from March 30th to April 1st, for the benefit of Ewing Chapel. Capt. A. A. Hudson and a number of waiters joined the Oriental waiters here on the 23d and had a jolly time at the Owl Club hall, while Jolly Don James, the Pickanniny Minstrels held forth at Ellis hall in Ft. Worth. Some one entered the home of R. Bolden and stole a watch and $400. Those on the sick list are: Mrs. Addie Johnson, S. McCoy, Bessie Wiggins and Ella Davis. George Austin has resumed his old position on the road. Henry Thompson will visit Chicago, Omaha and Kansas City while on his vacation. Mrs. R. Bolden and Daughter are visiting in Carrolton. Miss E. Scott, enroute to Bisbee, Ariz, stopped in the city to visit friends. Misses R. Franklin and Maggie Barnes accompanied Miss Ethel Scott as far as Ft. Worth. Miss Emma Jones, of Sherman, visited Mrs. Lucy Robinson last week. Mrs. Dr. Lee is visiting relatives in Kansas and Indian Territory. Lawyer Isaacs, of Muskogee, I. T., was in the city last week. Green Shannon and Heck Griggsby, of Wells Point, are here to spend the summer. Joe Turner has returned from Hot Springs. Levi Johnson has put in a soda fountain at his restaurant on Central avenue. John Collins is happy over the arrival of a fine girl at his home. All domino players may enter the tournament at Walker & Ford's sample room. Rev. Moss of Denison, was in the city and assisted in the revival at Mt. Zion church. Chas. Franklin, of Terrell, is in the city. Mrs. Van Price is visiting in Hammond. Rev. J. G. Gilmore, of Mt. Rose Baptist church, officiated at the funeral of Mrs. Topies, who was buried under the auspices of the American Knights of Liberty. It comes to light that G. W. Shirley and Miss A. Lillian Daniels have been married more than two years. Mrs. James McHenry visited in the Fort last week. The Grand Caliphs will hold their carnival here from April 14th to 18th.

WANTED—To know the whereabouts of Tom Smith and Mrs. Mary Norris. When last heard of were in Newberry, S. C. It is of importance to Mrs. Della Nelson, wife of Samuel J. Nelson, 459 Young street, Dallas, Texas.

FERRIS NEWS NOTES,

Quarterly meeting of the Freewill Baptist church of the Dallas district, closed here with much success. Rev. H. E. Brown preached an able sermon at Ebenezer church Sunday afternoon. Mesdames Stella Owens and Ellen Moss, of Dallas, were guests of Rev. H. E. Brown and family last Sunday. Rev. Wm. Shaw, of McKinley, preached at the Missionary Baptist church Sunday morning. The C. M. E. church held regular services last Sunday. Mrs. Emeline Diamond, of Tyler, is visiting her son in this city. The Epworth League meets every Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock. Preaching every first and third Sundays in each month at Ebenezer church. Misses Idella Sheppard and Donie Cain were guests of Misses Sophia and Anna Brown last Sunday.

Pertinent, Pithy Pickings.

Logansport, Ind., Special.—The remains of Mrs. Rhoda Tutt, who died in Philadelphia, Pa., last Sunday evening, was brought to this city for burial. Mrs. Tutt was for years a resident of this city. Mrs. Frank Gentry and C. D. Jones are one the sick list. Mrs. Breckenridge, of Kokomo, and Miss Edna Souie are here on account of the illness of Mrs. Gentry. Mrs Russell and daughter, of Kokomo, are in the city. Miss Eva Artis spent Sunday in the city. Mrs. John Artis, who has been visiting her daughter here, has returned to her home in Rockville. Mrs. Ada Goins, of Indianapolis, was in the city last week.

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All correspondence is strictly confidential, mailed in plain sealed envelope. The receipt is free for the asking and they want every man to have it,

THE WAITER....

The members of the Hotel Association of Sacramento, Cal., hav decided to drop their Chinese cooks on or after June 1, and will hereafter employ only white labor, that is, if the employment agencies will take pains to furnish only good, steady cooks. The hotel men in other sections of California are awaiting results.

Gilbert A. Burnett of Philadelphia resigned his position Feb. 1st as headwaiter at the Bartram and has accepted the position of headwaiter at the St. Charles hotel, Atlantic City. The dining room of the St. Charles has a seating capacity for 400 guests.

RACE GLEANINGS....

There lives in Ashland, Va., a Mr. Clinton Winston who has wealth in cash and property to $10,000 and is regarded as one of the most reliable freeholders in that little town. He was born a slave in 1856 and has made his fortune through his own thrift and industry.

Rev. Henry Clay Smith, former U. S. Consul at Santos, Brazil, and later president of McKinley Training school at West Brighton. S. I, is dead.

The nnmber of students enrolled at Tuskegee this year has been 1,384, and the average attendance has been 1 218. These students have come from thirty states and territories, and from five foreign countries. 1, 337 of the whole number have boarded and slept on the grounds. The number given does not include the pupils in "the children's house," which is a primary school for the children in the neighborhood and at the same time serves as a model and training school for normal students. Neither does it include the 121 students in the night school in the town of Tuskegee; nor the thousands of colored men and women who are being reached and and helped through the Tuskegee Negro Conference.

Rev. H. T. Johnson, D. D., Editor of the Christian Recorder, secured $500. 00 damages against the Pullman Company for being refused a meal on account of his color in a dining car March 25th 1902 on train between Richmond and Washington, D C. The suit was brought in the United States Court in Trenton, N. J., Dr. Johnson being a resident of that state.

The Georgia Baptists opened their conference in Macon, Ga. with delegates from all sections of the states, from Alabama. Florida, Tennessee, the Carolinas, Cuba Porto Rico, Honduras, Mexico and South Africa. Methods of prombting spiritual life and knowledge of the Bible were the theme for discussion during the initial session.

John A. Sparkes, Esq of Philadelphia, has just been successful in securing a verdict of $11,000 for his client, Mrs. Fannie A. Jackson of Haddonfield, N. J., against the West Jersey railroad. Sparks is a credit to the race.

The Liberian government has just given $25,000 to foster commerce with this country.

Philadelphia, Pa., has 120 Negro policemen.

Some time ago Miss Tella Usher, a New York sculptress, spent six weeks at Tuskegee making a clay bust of Principal Washington. It has since been cast into plaster and also in bronze and has been greatly admired by all who have seen it. The plaster cast has been placed in Carnegie library as a gift from teachers of the institution. It is Miss Usher's intention, at a later day to present the school with a bronze cast.

The U B. F. and S. M T. of Paris, Texas. are erecting a $2000 brick hall. They will conduct a store on the first floor and the second floor will be used as a lodge room. Texas seems to be taking first rank in the march of race progress as such enterprises as that above noted are chronicled every day within her borders.

News Items.

Ironton, Mo., Special.—A drama, entitled: "Love in a Light House" was given under the auspices of the M. E. church on the 3d. The Epworth League members rendered a very creditable program at the M. E church on the 6th. Refreshments were served in abundance. A pleasant surprise was tendered Mr. O. Green on the 2nd. The assembled guests were entertained royally; music and different games were the features of the evening. Refreshments were served, after which the departing guests bade Mr. Green adieu, wishing him many years of success and happiness. The occassion being in honor of his birthday. Mrs. Henryetta Smith who has been very ill, the past week is reported very much improved. Mrs. Francis Hunt is ill at her home in Shepherd street. Rev. J. M. Smalley attended the Annual conference of the M. E. church which convenes at Sedalia, Mo., on the 10th. Mr. A. D. Hunt a former resident of this city, now a member of the "Rabbit Foot" comedy, Tampa, Fla., writes that he is in splendid health and enjoying the many luxuries of the Sunny South. Miss Nellie Lax will visit friends and relatives at Sedalia in the near future. Miss Maybelle Arnett of Kimswick is spending a few weeks with home folks .J. F. Martin and Robert Berryman are constant readers of The Freeman. They have become deeply interested in the race problem; in fact, our entire little community, are greatly aroused. Miss Birdie Collier after finishing a term of school at Mineral Point, returned home recently.

High Water at Cairo.

Cairo, Ill., Special —The residents of Thirty-ninth and Fortieth streets and all the families that live in the basements were compelled to seek higher ground on account of the high water. It is hard to tell what would become of old Cairo if it was not for the city pumps running night and day. The colored people who live in these low lands are suffering for shelter. There are some places where there are three and four families in one house. Every house on 39th street and back of the box factory is surrounded by water and no one left to tell the tale. The citizens of Cairo need to be pitied The city fathers had some of our people rafting from place to place, and now the water has got the rest of them excited so that they expect to have to leave town every minute. The water has not reached the danger line yet, but it certainly looks bad. The 10:45 train came in Sunday with about 400 people to see the high water. There was a beautiful sight to be seen at the Ohio levee Sunday by thousands of people watching the water. The wharf boat is lying right at the top of Sixth street, and you can step off the railroad on the stage. There was a large crowd came over on the "Fowler" from Paducah to see the beautiful Ohio in her glory. We have water enough to float any battleship in the United States. There were three houses burnt up on 18th street right in the water where it was five feet deep. It was a sight to see the houses burning in the water. Among the sufferers was Henry Terrell. The people's choice for mayor at the coming April election is Mr. Claud Winters. It has been rumored that he was not a Negro's friend, but it seems funny for he has had one working for him six years. The marriage of Mr Sie Scott to Miss Malissa Petty on the 9th was a swell affair. A large number of friends were present. At home the 13th. The Cooper Club met with Mr. and Mrs. L. Gilchrist, 2108 Sycamore street, on the 13th. Robert Larders, better known as "Bingham," could not stop a street car the other day so he pulled down the trolly and then got off The marriage of Mr. Charles Mason to Miss Ida Gibson will be long remembered on account of the many presents received. Miss Mattie Ousley made a brief visit to Mound City. Don't forget the excursion to Paducah, Ky., April 29th. with the Overby orchestra. John McGee of 19th street is very much indisposed at this writing with a billious attack Frank Slaughter of this city was called to Mt. Vion by the death of his father. All parties owing for this paper will please pay at once as we are in need of the cash to settle with the press. The Buffaloes entertained the Georgia Minstrels on Thursday evening, March 26th, at their hall, 1112 Washington avenue. Things are getting hot here. but Claud Winters is pulling the bell cord, and there is no danger at hand of being run over April 21.

Society and Personal Notes.

Niagara Falls, N. Y, Special.—Mrs Anderson Fayette, of Main street, spent last Friday in Buffalo. Messrs. J Woodson and J. Taylor were out of the city Sunday. Miss Grace E. Jordan, of Ontario, and the Misses Montgomery, of Ithaca, N. Y., were guests of Miss E. Monroe, last Sunday.

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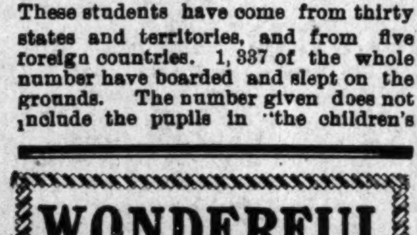

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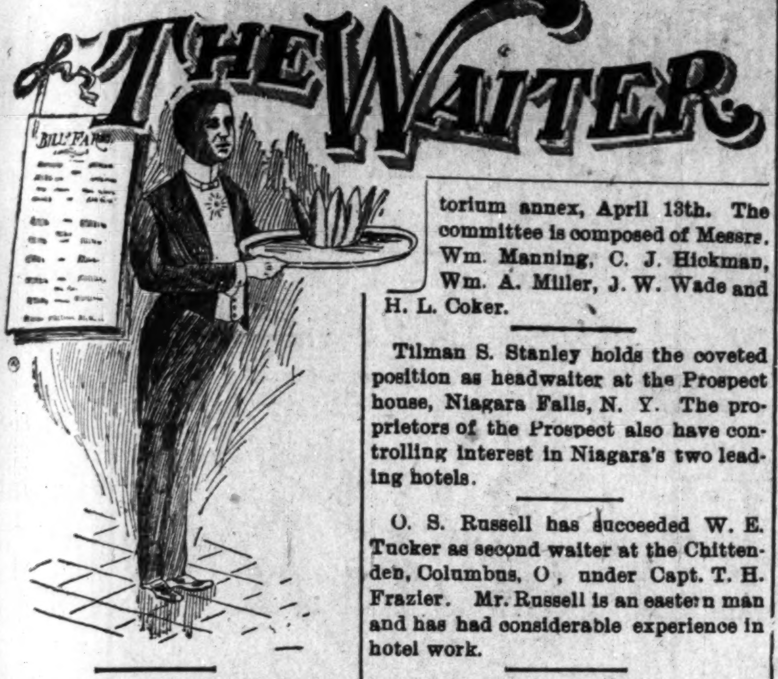

Capt. T. H. Frazier of the Chittenden, Columbus, Ohio, has been confined to his home with la grippe. He has sufficiently recovered to return to his post of duty.

The Anderson Commandery, Knights Templar of South Bend, Ind., will give a grand banquet and ball at the Auditorium annex, April 13th. The committee is composed of Messrs. Wm. Manning, C. J. Hickman, Wm. A. Miller, J. W. Wade and H. L. Coker.

Tilman S. Stanley holds the coveted position as headwaiter at the Prospect house, Niagara Falls, N. Y. The proprietors of the Prospect also have controlling interest in Niagara's two leading hotels.

O. S. Russell has succeeded W. E. Tucker as second waiter at the Chittenden, Columbus, O., under Capt. T. H. Frazier. Mr. Russell is an eastern man and has had considerable experience in hotel work.

J. T. Manley is now headwaiter at the Hotel Racine, Columbus, Ga. Mr. Manley of Atlanta, Ga., was formerly employed on the side at the Kimball house for ten or fifteen years by Headwaiters Frank Johnson, and also T. H. Frazier, who is now at the Chittenden, Columbus, Ohio

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From Wilkesbarre, Pa.

Mr. Editor—I have just received and read your issue of the 14th. Among much other very interesting reading I notice five questions asked by one A. B. Carter of Hot Springs, Ark. While I am not one of the headwaiters referred to in the article as having viciously attacked colored waiters working under white headwaiters, I am nevertheless interested, and that very deeply too, in all that in any way affects the colored head or sidewaiter.

However, since I have never been employed in any of the hotels in the extreme South or West I, perhaps, am not in a position to give just such an intelligent explanation as could some of the headwaiters who have been in the immediate vicinity where changes from colored to white headwaiters have been made. However, I do not mean to let this chance slip without giving my personal ideas upon the questions asked.

In answer to the first question, "When a white headwaiter is engaged to work colored waiters what must the sidewaiters do?" to me it seems simple, clear and plain. If the proprietor of any hotel has become convinced within himself that the colored headwaiter in his employ is incompetent there must be something wrong with either the crew or the headwaiter or else there would be no reason for complaint. If the trouble be with the crew the headwaiter is responsible for not so disciplining the crew as to be able to keep them under perfect obedience and control; if he should have some whom he finds he cannot control he should discharge them immediately and avoid further trouble; if allowed to remain the other men will soon notice that no matter what certain men say or do they can stay, and, as a result, they will try the same tactics, and finally the proprietor will become disgusted, and the natural, and I may add expected, consequence is a trial of a white headwaiter over crew. If that fails to work well no doubt a white crew will be installed. If the fault is in the headwaiter personally, and he is neither capable nor competent as a dining room manager, is void of that necessary executive ability required of all headwaiters in order to prove a success, and if he is without a thorough knowledge of all and everything pertaining to his department, then he is to blame. and, without doubt, should be dismissed at once, and while, in such a case, I would like to see another good colored headwaiter given a trial, it is almost hopeless, for the proprietor has become so disgusted with the actions of headwaiters and the discipline of the crew that he deems it expedient to see what he can do with a white headwaiter. It would be a great help to the great army of colored sidewaiters if, when these ignorant headwaiters find they cannot control their dining room, either from lack of knowledge of the business or executive ability or anything else, would simply resign and give another colored headwaiter a chance instead of hanging on when they know it is only a question of time with the proprietor when the change must come. Now, if when this charge does come, and it should be a white headwaiter, my advice is, boys work and conduct yourselves in such a way as to not let the white headwaiter get anything on you. In case of a very particular party or banquet wait for orders from this white headwaiter and do not make a move without being told. Very often white men are made dining room managers and have no knowledge of the business whatever. In such a case go slow, but sure; play ignorant yourself when you see he does not know how and what to do. However, should the opportunity present itself when you might, at the request of the proprietor, be asked to display your ability and remedy the defects of the white headwaiter, do so, and in this way you may convince the proprietor that his white headwaiter does not know as much abo[illegible] the business as some of his colored sid[illegible]aiters. This very often has been the means of giving another colored waiter a chance. But, in any case, stick to your work, for work under a white headwaiter is a hundred per cent better than no work at all.

Second question—"When it comes to a question of work under a white headwaiter or no work at all, what should the sidewaiter do?"—I advise work by all means, and prove yourselves so worthy, reliable and competent as to gain the confidence, admiration and esteem of your proprietor, and who knows but by such means one may soon be chosen from the ranks as headwaiter; and, even though none is ever chosen, it will at least keep out a white crew.

Third question—"Is it a fault of the sidewaiter that some managers want a white headwaiter?"—In my mind, never, for if the colored headwaiter is prudent and wise he will see to it that his crew is in every way up-to-date, and hence no need of any change.

Fourth question—"Is it a fault of the colored headwaiters, if so, what is the remedy?"—In answer to this question I claim it is, and the only remedy I can see, for colored men who are in no way qualified for the position to cease aspiring to it, and simply becoming a stumbling block to colored waiters all over the country, and the direct means very often of spoiling a crew of men which might otherwise be good. Where a headwaiter has little or no education, does not know half as much about the business as his captains, etc., cannot write his own name plainly, and when his secretary gets through with a document for him it is impossible for him to read it, and if it was read to him, and in it there occurred an error he could not correct it if he wished, I ask how can darkness lead light?

Fifth question—"Has the colored headwaiter neglected or failed to impress managers that he is as competent as a white man?"—In answer to this question I would say, as a rule, no, but in many cases he has failed to impress the managers that he is as competent as a white man. Just as many white headwaiters have failed to impress managers that they are as competent as some colored headwaiters.

But, whatever be the true cause, let us seek to find it, and we as headwaiters should seek to remedy the matter at once and do all in our power to prevent any more changes of colored headwaiters to white. I should like to read the views of some other headwaiters on these questions and points.

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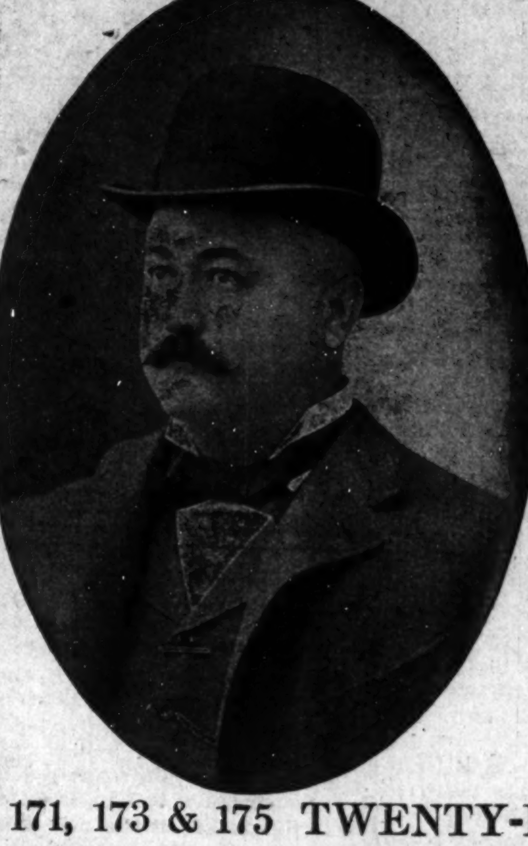

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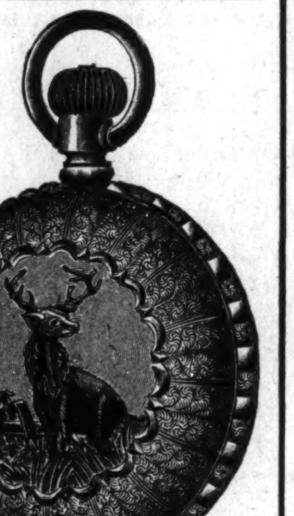

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ARCHBISHOP IRELAND.

A delegation of members of the Negro press of the country and of the Negro Pen and Pencil Club called on Archbishop Ireland recently and expressed to him their gratitude and appreciation of his stand in behalf of the Negro. Remarks expressive of the gratitude of the race were made by Henry P. Slaughter, president of the Pen and Pencil Club, L. M. Hershaw, John P. Green and Judson W. Lyons, registrar of the treasury. Archbishop Ireland, in responding, said:

"To him the stars and stripes had no meaning whatsoever unless they mean the brotherhood of man. The idea of a distinction being made in civil and political matters because of race or language or color, he declared, is un-American. A man, he said, is a man, and that is all that the American Constitution requires, or that it should require, if it is truly a Constitution expressive of liberty. He urged his callers to have patience, and said that with it the march of civilization and Christianity would result in full recognition of their civil and political rights. He expressed the opinion that there was not in the history of the world an example of similar progress made by any people of any color and of any race equal to that made by the colored people in the forty years since President Lincoln declared them free and independent. He predicted that what had been accomplished in the last forty years would be quadrupled in the next forty years."

Archbishop Ireland stands high in the Catholic church, and what he says may be construed as the spirit of that church toward the colored people.

The stars and stripes mean nothing to him unless they mean the brotherhood of man. It is a good, broad, wholesome doctrine and in keeping with the general laws of the country, which do not take cognizance of man's color or language in civil or political affairs.

Evidence yet comes in that the colored man has troops of friends that will stand for him in the contest for the enlargement of his civil and political liberties, if he will but do his part in being a man. "The march of civilization and Christianity would result in full recognition of their civil and political rights," says the distinguished prelate. And we may believe that civilization and Christianity cannot be divorced except to the detriment—the utter rout of one or the other. It includes this great race question, a principle is involved. It is assuring to the Negroes to note that the great leaders of church, state and school, regardless of creeds, political persuasion or scholastic denomination are standing for the universal brotherhood of man as it concerns his civil and political liberties.

The disgraceful shooting episode of last Sunday night will not stand repeating. Just to think; two dead and two wounded as the result of the action of one man. This happened among colored people on Sunday night when they should have been at their best, at church, or taking the rest for which the day is set apart. It has been a long time since so much mischief has been done by one individual, and it is deplorable from the fact that it adds to the mountain of crosses and sins already charged to the race. It's a lesson at any rate. A lesson for the women as well as for the men, and a warning to the young. It appears that nothing short of death will teach some things. Drinking and carousing, men and women together, is the lowest form of immorality. No; it is not general, but it is a good place to point out the tendency to get general. A case like that of Sunday night goes very far toward fixing the social status. It is all useless and silly to talk about the whites do thus and thus. We insist again that the colored people are being tried and not the whites.

Dr. A. J. Crossland, United States Minister to Liberia, Africa, and G. W. Ellis, secretary of legation, are now in this country. They made the voyage under assumed names to avoid inquisitiveness, they claim, until they reported at Washington. Dr. Crossland was known as J. R. Aubrey and Ellis as G. Washington. It is understood that Crossland had some difficulty with Faulkner, which resulted in Faulkner being shot. Crossland insists that the shooting was in self-defense. It is said that the new minister expected that Mr. Ellis would be the secretary, but on going to his post found the place filled, presumably by Faulkner, who seemed to have some kind of right to the position, and that the shooting was the direct result of the attempt to oust him.

Dr. E. G. Covington of Bloomington, Ill., had an excellent article in a recent issue of the "Pantagraph" of that city on the race question. He has the proper view of the situation, insisting that the Negroes are improving more or less in all lines, and consequently is entitled to consideration. The space allowed him in that journal is an evidence of the willingness from all sides to get more light on the subject with the view of a better understanding.

"The Herald" of Leavenworth, Kas., is a new publication by Will Harris and W. H. Hazelridge. It is a neat sheet, giving indication of a mission for good. Mr. Harris, who will doubtless head affairs, is a sensible young man of ability and has had considerable newspaper experience. He is well known in Indianapolis, where he held down the composing room of the "World" and also contributed articles to that paper and others.

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The boys with the hoops are rolling them again.

C. W. Bebee the famous Coon Shouter, is in Hot Springs, Ark.

The McCabe and Young Co., report big business in North Dakota.

A. R. Hutchins, with Gideon's Minstrels, wants to know why Sam Johnson doesn't write.

Frank Kirk, tramp musical acrobat, will be seen in a new musical specialty the coming season.

Miss Helen Ogden is filling a three week's engagement at the "Crystal Theatre," Denver, Colo.

The Hendersons are enroute with McKanlass' Alabama Warblers, working double in a sketch written especially for them.

Laura Prampin, cornet soloist and vocalist, has been retained for another week at Madison, Wis., with Milwaukee to follow.

Anthony Byrd and wife, Billy Nicholas, Bobby Kemp and J. Ed. Green, of the Black Patti Troubadours, were Freeman callers last week.

It is reported that D. W. McCabe and Billy Young will join hands next season, making the old original McCabe and Young of 20 years ago.

Mat Turner, monologuist and comediana with the Gideon Minstrels, would like to hear from Amos Gilliard and Al Younge (Kat). Write care Freeman.

Members of Stetson's Uncle Tom Cabin Co., were tendered a smoker at the Zanzibar Cafe, Helena, Mont., March 14, by that good fellow, L. Vernon Graye.

Dan Palmer's "New Orleans Students" are meeting with much success, having made Montana, North and South Dakota, Minnesota, Iowa, Illinois and Wisconsin.

The Walter L. S. Main's Concert Co., is rehearsing in Cincinnati, Ohio, under the management of W. H. Reid, with Tom Gails as stage director and Fred Salters, band master.

Clemo Harris the back and forward contortionist, assisted by Flozo Harris the only colored lady acrobat, are still with Graham's Southern Specialty Co., and send regards to other smokes.

E. M. Owsley, late of the Honolulu Coon Co., is now at his home in Pontiac, Ill. Mr. Owsley is a hustler and together with his sister Snobia, will act as special representative of the Freeman.

Billy Nicholas, the clever comedian and imitator is now closing the olio with the Black Patti Troubadours, and from the pleasant greeting that he was received with by an Indianapolis audience, being his first time in this city, puts him in line with the best.

Dick Thomas the well-known comedian and Bob Brown, character actor, writes from Ironwood, Mich., that they are still doing nicely, and send regards to all friends. Mrs. Carrie Brown has returned from Denver, Colo., and together with her husband and Dick Thomas they are busy rehearsing their new three act farce comedy. Regards to No. 1 and No. 2 Georgias.

Billy Young writes from Mahara's Minstrels, that they are nearing the end of an exceptionally good season, at the close of which he will go to Chicago for a few weeks, then to Kentucky to visit his mother. He sends regards to the boys at the Douglass Club, New York City, and perhaps he will be with them in July or August.

Notes from Des Moines, Iowa:—Ed. Toliver and wife, late of McCabe and Young Co., are here for the season. Henry and George Lee will present a comedy entitled "In Sunny Africa." Tom Jefferson sends regards to Bunk and Manzy Campbell. The Hawkeye quartette is under the management of Nat Shinenghouse.

Notes from Gideon's Minstrels.—We are now in the State of Wisconsin, showing to S. R. O. All are well. The weather is good. Allen Sauls sends regards to N. Johnson and Geo. Bailey. Arthur Moss, our tenor solist, is singing with great success, "When Kate and I Were Coming Through the Rye." Eli R. Rice, our baritone, is also singing, "Honey, Will You Miss Me When I Am Gone," and never fails to please the people. He sends regards to all. Scott Williams, cornetist, who lately joined us, has proved to be quite a cornetist in the street. The Gideon Quartette is still the feature of the olio. All send regards to the Campbell Bros. Amos Gilliard, let us hear from you.

Mrs. Lillian Perrin, the accomplished wife of the well-known comedian-author, Sidney L. Perrin, died Sunday morning, March 22, at their residence, 200 West Twenty-seventh street, New York City, after an illness of several months. Mrs. Perrin was well known throughout the country and leaves a host of friends who will mourn her demise. She has appeared at different times with the Black Patti Troubadours, Isham's Octoroons and the Williams & Walker companies. She was married to Mr. Perrin on May 22, 1899, at which time he was a member of the musical team of Hillman & Perrin, while appearing in this city with the Black Patti Troubadours at Proctor's Pleasure Palace. Mrs. Perrin was buried from her late residence Wednesday, March 25th.

Clarksville, Tenn., Professional Items.—As the theatrical season is gradually fading into insignificance, the populace has witness one of the most monotonous amusement seasons of a decade. Fewer first class companies have appeared on the boards than of yore and the theater-goers have evinced less interest. Lincoln J. Carter's "Fast Mail" appeared here on the 20th to a good audience. The Excelsior Concert Company entertained the amusement lovers at Mt. Olive Church on the 18th, with their varied program. Jerry B. Cobb, musical artist, of St. Louis, Mo., is in the city on a furlough. He is being royally welcomed by his former comrades. William Buck, owner of the shaving palace which bears his name, contemplates remodeling his hall so that it will accommodate traveling organizations.

Chicago, Ill., Notes.—At the Symphony Orchestra and chorus of forty voices, given at the Institutional Church, under the direction of Prof. N. Clark Smith, the coming composer and director, great credit is due to W. N. Spiller for his rendition, in conjunction with Mme. A. Brown, in "Il Trovatore," he being called upon at the last moment to take the part, owing to the illness of George Conley. The whole affair was a success. Professor Smith, although a young man, has a promising future, and will be recognized as a leader of his race in the musical wold, both vocal and instrumental. Keep your eye upon him. * * Mahara's Minstrel Company No. 2 passed through the city last Sunday week and spent the day at headquarters, en route to Braidwood, Ill. They are all looking well, and report the "ghost" walks regularly. * * Bailey & Spiller, the musical team, are holding the boards in Joliet, Ill., this week. * * The Standard Quartette are in the city. * * Daddy Love is still on the sick list, although he is able to report at headquarters to keep everything in operation. He sends regards to all his friends in the profession. * * The Brittons are holding the boards this week at the Olympic, and are the strongest on the bill. * * Will Thomas, of Caldwell and Thomas, sketch artists, is on the sick list, but is improving. * * Williams and Stevens will soon close their engagement at Peter's Vaudeville and will open on the circuits. * * Hart and Harlan have put beautiful fixtures in their place of business at 2634 State and invite all the professionals to make themselves feel at home whilst in the city. They keep the best of everything, and every one will be treated with courtesy.

Notes from the Famous Georgia Minstrels: We have just finished our tour in Oklahoma with a very unfavorable season regarding the weather, though business was fair and we can not complain. Our show is still running smoothly, pleasing both the manager and patrons. I will only mention a part of a notice from the Wichita Daily Eagle: "Richard Pringle's famous Georgia Minstrels were in town yesterday and gave their usual good performance at the Crawford last night. The company is stronger than formerly, with a far better class of songs and jokes, and the olio is made up of better specialties than have as yet visited our city in the minstrel line. A person could detect one or two old jokes in the volleys handed out by the end, but they were so old that they were really interesting with the revised manner in which they were delivered, and many new 'gags' were given which brought forth hearty laughs. The company of singers carried is large, and, what is more, they can sing some. Songs of strength and beauty were given by men with good voices, and the end men, of course, had their usual quota of rag-time melodies. The rag-time songs were new, and a good song never grows old. In short, every member of the company gave a good account of himself last night, and a very, very pleasant evening was spent, and in conclusion the Famous Georgia Minstrels have left a distinguished reputation with the show-going people of Wichita never to be forgotten, the house being crowded, notwithstanding it commenced raining just at the time the doors were opened." The above is clipped from the Wichita Daily Eagle. Our people are all well and in good working condition again, and all send regards to George A. Swan, R. L. Wilson and Henry Graves.

Notes from A. G. Allen's Minstrels: Wm. Hallback writes: I wish to rectify the statement that appeared in this paper. I wish to inform the readers that I am not the manager of this show. I am only a performer, a comedian and dancer. Mr. George W. Quine is the manager, and is well liked by all. At this writing all are well and the ghost does not fail to walk. This show is a big success everywhere. Miss Mamie Lawrence joined us at St. Augustine, Fla., and made a big hit singing, "Ding-o-ling." John Williams, the chicken king, is cleaning up nightly, singing "Dem Chickens Can't Roost Too High for Me." H. S. Smith is doing better work on his trombone since he has been cooking his own food, as he is doing the cooking on the car. He has distinguished himself as a first class cook. The Watts sketch team never fails to make them laugh. Chas. Rue is doing business in the middle. H. McDade, slide trombone, is getting to be the talk of the public. B. Bennett's cornet work is always pleasing to hear. Prof. McCamaron, our band leader, is on the sick list, and does not parade, but does his work suitably for a sick man in the concert nightly. Mr. F. T. Viccas, clarinetist, is back to his old home and is better than ever. He has been sick for a long time. All were jubilant when we learned that he was coming home again. Miss Hattie Beachem is sing "Eva" with success. The Misses Wise, Hunt and Beachem proved to be very charming soubrettes in their artistic song and dance. N. H. Hunt, Alabama wizard, is still eating fire and puzzling the audience. Messrs. Wise and Arnte are still doing the extreme end and cleaning up. Robertson and Arnte, sketch team, leave them screaming. D. G. Brooks is a warm baby with the E-flat cornet nightly. Wm. Hallback is doing the best he can. Regard to all in and out. Arnte and Robertson send regards to Will Cheatem and F. Caster, and say, boys, our special paper is on the wall and it's a beauty.

Napoleon Johnson writes from the Big Minstrel Festival: I regret to state that S. H. Dudley, our stage manager, on account of sickness, left on the 12th for Memphis, Tenn., where he will rest and rejoin us when we play the return engagement there on the 23d. The company joins me in wishing him a speedy recovery and will be glad to see him back at his old post again. Dude Kelley has the stage in charge during his absence. To see Kersands with tambourine in hand again all know what to expect. He, in closing the first part, is still using his song hit, "My Black Babe and I," assisted by his wife, Madame Louisa, who sings from the balcony, and they leave the audiences screaming nightly. Simpson and Pittman, the musical cadets, are drawing rounds of applause nightly. We have added three new instruments to our act since we have joined this company, and we are nightly demonstrating to the people that we are masters of the different instruments upon which we perform. Regards to the boys at the Greasy Front; also Mr. Frank Walker, of Chicago, and our many friends. Still a feature with Rusco & Holland's Big Minstrel Festival. Successfully yours, S. & P." * * Dudley and Pittman say: "Tom Logan, Savannah, is all right, and we wish it was so we could be there again soon." * * Robert Leach, leader of orchestra, sends regards to Wm. Hallback, McCamon and Kid Arrant. Dude Kelley wishes to be remembered by Billy Young, Kid Turner and all friends, and says write. Harry Kraton says, Hello, Cooper and Bailey. Frank Hassett sends regards to Sam Burns, Fred Garland and the A. G. Allen company. Clarence Powell, the mirth-producer, was royally entertained in Columbia, Tenn., by his old-time friend, Tom Birdsong, head waiter at the Bethel House. During the evening he had the pleasure of hearing Miss Amelia Allen, Columbia's famous prima donna contralto, sing three fine selections. Joe Ricks, piccolo soloist, closed in Fayetteville, Tenn., on the 14th. He would like to hear from Tio Ricks; address is 58 East Long street, Columbus, O. Allie Bown, slack-wire artist, is still a valuable member of the olio and never fails to get his nightly round of applause. He sends regards to all Savannah friends, and says he will never forget you. Mrs. Belle Rusco, wife of our genial manager, joined us in Sheffield, Ala., to spend the rest of the season with her husband. She, like all the rest, after witnessing the performance, votes it one of the best companies her husband has managed. Also, Mr. Guy Smithson is filling the position of treasurer in place of Mr. Burton, who left for a position with one of the leading white tops.

J. Harry Jackson sends the following from New York City:—In Dahomey is now in their last two weeks of their engagement at the New York Theatre, which ends on April 4th. The show has made a tremendous hit on Broadway, and but for the closing of the house for extensive alterations, the show would run here until summer. After the termination of the engagement here, the show is booked for a series of runs in Boston, Philadelphia and Chicago, and there has been some talk of the aggregation going to London, Eng., for a run....Christian, the phenominal trick cyclist and Al Bailey, were one of the biggest hits on the bill at the Atlantic Garden, last week....Tom Brown, the clever character actor, assisted by Miss Siren Navaro, in an excellent act are among the headliness at Kieth's Union Square Theatre, this week....The wonderful stunts done by Marsh Craig, in the third act of "In Dahomey," continues to elicit rounds of applause....Avery & Hart did well last week at Hurtig & Seamon's Music Hall....Ernest Hogan, Billy McClain and other members of the "Smart Set," spent Sunday of last week in the Metropolis, enroute to Springfield, Mass....Payton & Harris, a well-known western sketch team, are in the city....Smart & Williams have dissolved partnership, Mr. Williams has joined hands with Miss Marie Lacalle, and they are appearing in vaudeville....Hodges & Lauchemere are big favorites this week at Proctor's Twenty-third Street Theater....Johnson & Wells, in a very clever act, were on the high class vaudeville bill at the Circle Theater last week....Irving Jones made a big hit Sunday night at the Grand Opera House....The Hammonds—Geoge and Etta, left Sunday for Worcester, Mass., to fill a week's engagement at the Park Theater. They are also booked to appear at Springfield, Mass., Boston, Providence, R. I., and at the Atlantic Garden, this city. ....You can get The Freeman every Saturday at Slaughter's barber shop, 114 W. 31st steet. Read it and see what the Negro professionals are doing throughout the country....The Oriental Empire Stock Company, a Negro dramatic organization of this city, will present the old English drama, "Lady Audley's Secret," at the Murray Hill Lyceum, on April 28. Mme. Elizabeth Williams will appear in the leading role, assisted by Mr. A. Alexander Talbott and a select company. ....The Fortnightly Dramatic Club will present the one-act farce, "Ici on Parle Francais," at Muller's Bronx Casino, at an early date....Don't forget The Freeman at Slaughter's barber shop, 114 W. 31st street, every Saturday.

BLACK PATTI TROUBADOURS.

"Standing room only," was the greeting extended the late comers to the Black Patti show in Indianapolis, Thursday evening, March 19. It was but a few weeks ago since the "Smart Set" was here, a formidable aggregation of foot lighters, gotten together in keeping with it's well chosen name. There was much speculation as to what the combination would do behind it. Comparison is said to be odious, but us newspaper men, are not sensitive and consequently do odius things; in fact, must do them.

The shows were distinctly different quite throughout, although the vaudeville turns were something alike, but it was most noted in the Black Patti combination. The olio, the introduction, the circus skit was a departure from the stereotyped beach scene and boarding house gag, with its fast set of sports, etc. Darktown's Circus Day was not only amusing but showed clever managerial ability. The show carries about one-half as many people as the "Smart Set," and consequently could not make that grand stand front so usual. The circus gag puts the leading stars of the show in action at once, and the people are put in a happy frame of mind.

The company is unlike the "Smart Set" in that it is full of "stars," among whom are the following: Black Patti, James Crosby, J. Ed. Green, Bobby Kemp, Leslie Triplett, John Green, all of ability and of more or less reputation. Then there's Nettie Lewis, J. E. Worles, Emma Thompson, Mack Allen and William Nichols, the mimic, who alone, is a show.

M. Sissieretta Jones, is holding her own, quite herself, singing with feeling. She has a fine stage appearance, makes up but very little, has a graceful tilt when she ambles off the stage, that is quite bewitching; it helps to get her back. She is becomingly modest and the barely discernible vein of "swellery" makes her "taky." She has added nothing of note to her repertoire, still singing "Miserere," as the piece de resistance. Her Suwanee River was good and sweet, as well as good and old. The selection from "Martha" and the waltz song, were prettily rendered, but seemed to lack the effectiveness of the finales of the past seasons.

The choruses were good for the number of people, about nine women and six men, which taxed the ingenuity of the clever stage manager, J. Ed. Green, to make them look like twenty-five or thirty on the stage.

The show has a bunch of comedians, each of whom had their cotorie of admirers. Some said Bobby Kemp was it, others James Crosbey, others the other fellow and so there you are, we give it up. The other fellow was best to us until another fellow came in.

The Bamboo song by Kemp and Nettie Lewis, captured the audience. Mack Allen, the slack wire equilibrist, can scarcely be excelled. His feats are marvellous.

On the whole it was a pleasing exhibition. The glimpses of stage grandeur was not so often seen as in the "Smart Set" nor was it to be expected. The comedian business seemed a little too thick in the Black Patti show, but it gave all a chance to "get theirs" and not like the "Smart Set," that gave the right of way to Hogan alone. Next!

Songs and Singers.

Billie Winney, of the attractive song illustrators, Winney and Ward, writes that "The Passion Flower" and "Sadie, Say You Won't Say Nay," have struck a star gait in the song field.

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The feature of the performance was Harry Kraton, the hoop roller. There is a young man of the name of Everhart who four or five years since came into prominence at this art, if art it is. Hoop rolling was the occupation and pastime of the boys of tender age up to that time, but when Everhart took it up it became a fad with specialty people. Everhart is supposed to be the star par excellence of this sort of thing, but Kraton, although of a different color, has the inventor of the thing skinned to death. This performance is something marvelous. He was given call after call last night and those who saw Everhart's performance in Knoxville two or three seasons ago, were free to admit that Kraton was the better delineator of the art. The performance of the Richards & Pringle people, as a whole was excellent.—Daily Journal and Tribune, Knoxville, Tenn.
Sorry this happened but it couldn't be helped. The little hoops have now rolled out enough greenbacks to buy a "Sweet Little Home," so that in some future years (when all of my brain-cells, containing ideas of originality have been cultivated to their utmost,) I will sit in my own home and watch the progress of brother hoop rollers and pray that the day will soon come when they will learn to ask for more than $10.00 per week and some of them even $7.00.
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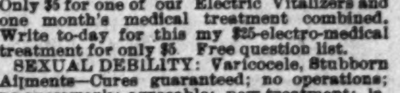

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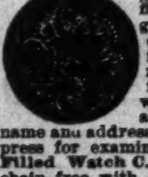

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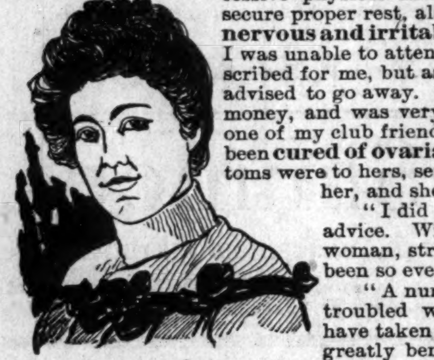

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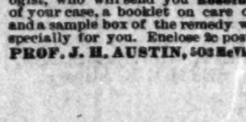

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VACANCY AT HOWARD UNIVERSITY

The Resignation of Director Merriam, of the Census Bureau, a Good Riddance—Pastorate of the Metropolitan Church—Pointed Paragraphs.

BUREAU OF THE FREEMAN,
WASHINGTON, D. C., March 8, '03.

The President has kept his word, and Dr. William D. Crum's name has again gone to the Senate for the collectorship at Charleston, S. C. The fact that there was absolutely nothing of record upon which to base an objection to the Doctor except color, impelled Mr. Roosevelt to insist upon fair play, and to stand by the principles enunciated in his famous "door of hope" letter to the citizens of the aristocratic city by the sea. It is now plain that the opposition to Dr. Crum was purely personal, and confined to a cabal of "lily whites" of both parties, who hoped to unhorse him by an appeal to race feeling—and then have one of their own ilk slip into the office. Mr. Geo. E. Vandercook, in a splendidly written interview in the Milwaukee Sentinel, shows the true inwardness of the situation to be based upon selfishness, and a desire to emphasize the principle of "political places for white men only!" This gauzy subterfuge is well exposed in the fact that since it is practically agreed that Crum is to assume charge immediately upon the adjournment of the present session of the Senate, over one hundred white men have filed applications for subordinate positions in the Custom House under him. Prejudice withers when confronted by the white heat of the Almighty Dollar. The colored people of California have very wisely "worked on" their Senator, Mr. Perkins, and showed through mass meetings of representative citizens, that they were greatly displeased with his attitude of antagonism to Crum's confirmation. They pointed out to him that the 4,000 black voters in the state held the balance of power and made Republican supremacy possible, the last election being carried by the g. o. p. by the narrow margin of 1 600. So effective has this campaign been in the interest of Dr. Crum, that it is stated upon good authority that in case the question of confirmation is brought before the Senate during this special session, Mr. Perkins will reverse himself and stand by the administration's choice. Other Senators have been similarly appealed to, and unless the Democrats succeed in preventing action at all, Dr. Crum has all the votes necessary to secure his confirmation. Of course Tillman is obdurate, and his party will stand solidly behind him. If action is not taken we feel safe in saying that within forty-eight hours after Presiding-officer Frye's gavel falls, William Demos Crum will hold his commission as collector of customs for the port of Charleston, S. C., and be in readiness to serve friend and foe within gun-shot distance of old Fort Sumpter, where the echoes of that volley which was heard around the world, have not ceased to reverberate.

The resignation of Dr. J. E. Rankin as president of Howard University is the talk of the town. The reasons are not forthcoming—that is for publication at this time—but it is evident that the action is the natural outcome of a disintegration that has been going on for a long time. Dr. Rankin is a gentleman and a scholar, but for reasons wholly disconnected with his personality, a change is perhaps the best thing for the University, and a re-organization on a new basis will tend to correct some ills that accrue with the passage of years under one dispensation. The trustees are not able as yet to talk about the succession, and for the present the reins of government are in the very capable hands of Dr. Teunis S. Hamlin, pastor of the Church of the Covenant, of this city. When the mists shall have cleared and the attention of the regents is turned to the duty of permanently filling the vacancy, the advantage of choosing an active, energetic and sympathetic colored man should not be overlooked. Howard University is, to all intents and purposes, a school for colored youth, and experience demonstrates that our students thrive better under the discipline and instruction of teachers and officers bound to them by ties of blood and kindred. If it is decided that a colored man is to be selected, the honor could not fall upon worthier shoulders than those of Prof. William Henry Richards, now instructor in International Law in the Law department of the University. No factor in the institution has been more loyal to its best interests than Prof. Richards, and no one has served with more capacity or fidelity than he. His instinct of fairplay for all, his judicial temperament, his experience in the management of large affairs, and power of perfecting compact and harmonious organization all argue convincingly that he be tendered this responsible post. Prof. Richards is known throughout the land as an educator, a scholar, an upright citizen and a polished gentleman—one who would with credit and distinction, grace any college for the higher learning from Harvard to Leland Stanford, or from Yale to Atlanta. We cast our ballot unhesitatingly for Prof. William Henry Richards for president of the great and growing Howard University.

It is welcome intelligence that William R. Merriam is to resign the Directorship of the Census. He will be a good riddance. It was a sorry day for the Negroes of the country when he was named for the place, for which he was never competent, and to which he brought too narrow a soul for the proper administration of a trust requiring breadth of judgment, absence of prejudice and the tact of a gentleman. It was due to Merriam's meanness that we had such a beggardly representation in the bureau, and to his low conception of the Negro's place that we were assigned to such a few positions of dignity, and the two supervisors appointed were named over his protest. He was against Negroes as enumerators, and up

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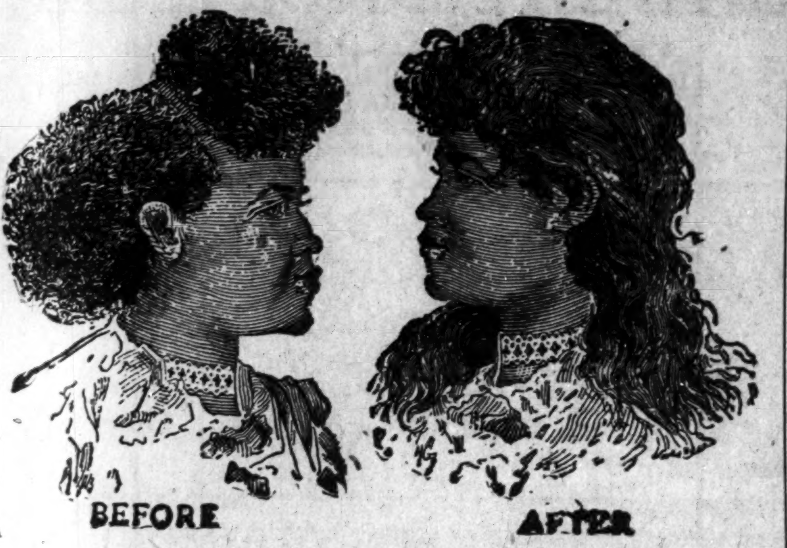

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to this very time, is deadly opposed to sending a single Negro into the field as a special agent, putting up the puerile plea that a colored man would not be acceptable to the people of the country—notwithstanding the plain fact that colored men have achieved marked success when sent out by the Pension and Land Offices. Under Merriam a promotion was difficult for a black man to secure, and it is said that at times questionable methods were resorted to in order to prevent the advancement of meritorious men of our race, whose work was so superior that false ratings could not disguise the truth. Merriam is said to be sore because he failed to be appointed Secretary of Commerce and Labor, to which he aspired, and hence he goes out in a huff. He is in no sense in touch with the spirit of the administration, and Mr. Roosevelt knows it The Negroes will breathe a sigh of genuine relief when the news comes that Merriam has actually gone. An opening will thus be made for a Director of Census who understands his business, and who respects men and women for their worth, irrespective of race, color or previous condition. A boom has been started for Ex-Congressman David H. Mercer, of Nebraska. He would be a vast improvement over the burly Minnesotian who now rattles around in the wigwam on B street.

The succession to the pastorate of the Metropolitan A. M. E church is still under deliberation. Justice says, let Dr. Daniel G. Hill remain and fill out the five year term to which his successful administration entitles him; but an element favorable to the return of J. Albert Johnson is still hard at work to achieve their ends, regardless of what the best interests of the church demand In the meantime, the wily Baltimorean continues to deny that he has any thought of resuming his charge at this point and the operations looking to that end are being carried on strictly "under cover." The attitude of Bishop Lee is not known, and that shrewd prelate declines to commit himself to any definite program. We shall see what we shall see between this and "the good old summer time."

Local interest in the work of the National Afro-American Council is having quite a revival. Delegates will go to Louisville in July from several of our churches and other organizations that come under the head of "affiliated bodies," and the newspapers will be represented. The wide spread agitation of the suffrage question will tend to bring out a larger and more influential attendance this year than has ever been present since the Council was founded. The body is made up of the ripened and loyal leaders of the race, and they should be supported by the rank and file who wish to have rights as citizens properly protected.

The "man on the monument" of the Colored American needs to take something for a disordered liver. He has bile on the brain, and such afflictions have been known to result fatally, unless treated in time. He sees as through a glass darkly, or has luck in securing the "drink ball" at the club, has gone to his head Editor Cooper needs to call a cabinet meeting and get his "funny men" somewhere in touch with his editorial output. The "man on the monument" is not there with the goods, and is far below the high standard of sprightly writers that have generally contributed to the "catch-as-catch-can" chatter of the day.

It begins to look as if nothing is to be done in the Indianola postoffice case The whites are still maintaining an independent postoffice and carrier service of their own, leaving the poor Negroes in the lurch, the latter being unable to bear the expense of hiring a messenger to bring the mail over from Greenville. The whites, however, are unwilling to pay for their indulgence in prejudice, and have petitioned Congress to reimburse them for what they have spent in resisting the authority of the National government. They won't get a cent of it. In spite of the bad blood that has been engendered, there is a principle at stake in this matter, and the administration is "standing pat," as every consideration of right and dignity demands

TOLD IN A PARAGRAPH.

There is probably no truth in the rumor that the esteemed Chicago Conservator is to be consolidated with the appeal, with Mr. Cyrus Field Adams as editor of the joint institution. This would be a fine solution of the journalistic misfit with which Chicago is afflicted, but if the deal is consummated, the sale under it would be a transfer of the "sure-enough" variety one without a string to it The Evening Star and Washington Post are down on the misguided folks of our race who throw mud at the work of Booker T. Washington. Dr. Crossland is a long time getting here. Rev. Ernest Lyon is of the opinion that it is high time "som- "something was doing." "Reed Day" was finally observed by the Second Baptist Lyceum, under the direction of President Armond W. Scott. The oration or eulogy was delivered by Recorder John C. Dancy, who was for years a staunch friend and supporter of the distinguished "Man from Maine" Mr. Lewis R. Clark, the Post-office Department, is an "ex-actor man," although his closest friends, as a rule, are unaware of the fact. In the early days of minstrelsy he was with Richards & Pringle, Charles Callender and other veteran managers, and has traveled from ocean too ocean. He was the contemporary of such eminent artists as Billy Kersand, Wallace King, Tom McIntosh, James Bland, Sam Lucas and the Hyers sisters in their palmiest days. Can't we all remember them when we were boys, and how we did enjoy their wit and melody, while munching peanuts in the upper gallery and dying for a glimpse of what was going on "behind the scenes." Clark is a good singer and his voice is heard to advantage frequently on festal occasions. Organize business leagues and perhaps Negro enterprises can devise some way by which they will not be "just out of" the very things we want to buy. A business establishment, to be successful, must keep its stock up to date, and order in advance that which is likely to be called for. The Hart Farm school offers an outlet for the agricultural development of the colored boys who would otherwise run the street and be demoralized by vicious companionship. It should not be allowed to die for want of federal assistance. Our local papers should rally to the aid of Prof. Hart and urge upon Congress the importance of granting an adequate appropriation. Two more colored lawyers are now entitled to practice before the Supreme Court of the United States. They are Julius S. Mitchell, of Charleston S C., and William J. Whipple, of Beaufort, S. C. There are now about twenty five Afro-American attorneys practicing at the highest bar in the land the first of whom was Hon. John M. Langston. who was admitted away back in the 70' on motion of James A Garfield. Those who attended the sessions of the National Association of colored women and pronounced our women incapable of self-government because a few tears were shed, should have butted into the recent meeting of the Daughters of the American Revolution, which was made up of the bluest blood of the proud Caucasin race. They would have witnessed some hair-curling scenes, "for fair." Lawyer Charles W. Fitts, a prominent member of the District bar, addressed the Second Baptist Lyceum last Sunday, and presented a fine analysis of the elements that uplifts people. He paid eloquent tribute to the work of Booker T. Washington, and in his rejoinder made mince meat of Mr. Thomas L. Jones who attempted to play upon the predjudices of the uniformed by belittling the gospel as taught at Tuskegee. The Second Baptist Lyceum is not a safe place to attack the "Wizard." Recorder Dancy is spending a few days in North Carolina, visiting Charlotte, Wilmington, Salisbury and Raleigh on his itinerary. The reappointment of Commissioner H. B F MacFarland is heartily approved by the colored people who have found him an unusually courteous and helpful public official. Frank G Manly, proprietor of the Record, has charge of the printing department at Tuskegee and is doing well. He is getting out more work in a given time, with the same force, than any other foreman who has ever been there. Manly is an expert typographer and instructs a large class in the science besides superintending the regular output of the office. It is said that Prof. Ferris would like to have a job in Washington. Mr. Roscoe C. M. Simmons (Prof Simmons, if you like) has charge of a thriving five-room school at Greensboro, Ga, and is as happy as a lark in springtime. Since his arrival the attendance has increased, twenty having been added to the rolls. Mr. Simmons is one of the brightest young men of the race and will give a good account of himself in history. 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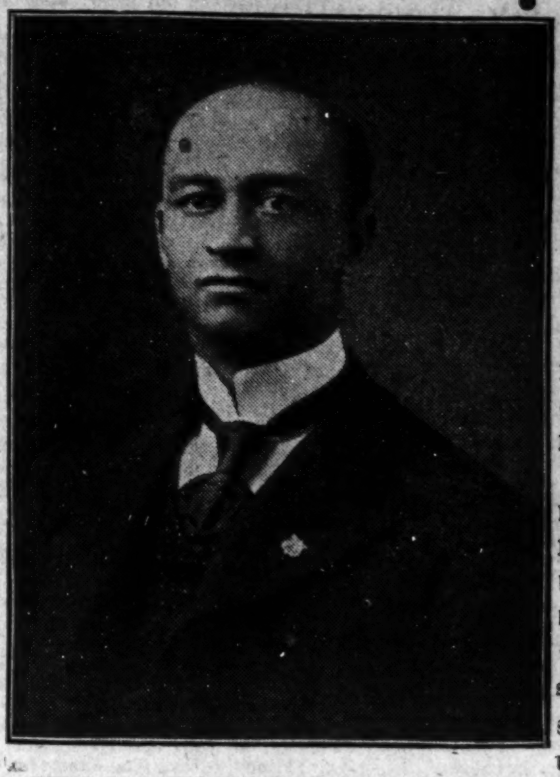

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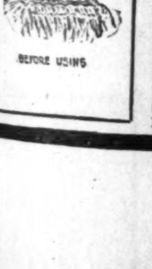

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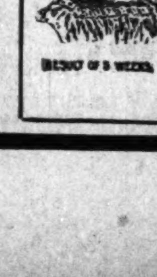

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Miss Maude Simpson is ill at her home in Walden street.

Carter Smith's dancing class was well attended Thursday evening.

Miss Mayme Smith continues ill at her home, 760 W. Walnut street.

The Woman's Club was entertained by Mrs. Laura Gaines on Monday afternoon.

Miss Margaret Dean of Pittsburg, Pa., is visiting Mrs. Sallie Robinson in Blake street.

Rev. J. M. Townsend visited his family in Richmond, Ind., and also his daughter in Chicago this week.

Mrs. Ada Goins, D. M. N. G., of the Household of Ruth, was in Logansport, Ind., last week in the interest of said lodge.

Mr. and Mrs. John Pettiford of Carthage, Ind., spent Saturday and Sunday in the city, the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Harper.

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The musicale given at the Christian church, Tuesday evening, was qutte a success. The program, which was rendered by some of the city's best talent, was one of the finest ever given.

The election of officers of the Alpha Home resulted as follows:

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Mr. and Mrs. Charles Harper gave a delightful party, Saturday, March 21, in honor of their daughter's (Helen) birthday. The house was beautifully decorated and fifty children were made happy with games and music. Messrs. Mitchell and Morgan furnished the music. The souvenirs were Easter chickens.

The Lexington Conference of the M. E church held in Chicago, last week, was interesting. Much important business was transacted under the guidance of Bishop Walden. Indianapolis was particularly interested since the Rev. E. L. Gilliam affair came up for settlement. He was acquitted and given what is said to be a good charge in Columbus, Ohio. Rev. Riley goes to Simpson chapel and Rev. Geo. A. Sissle continues as presiding elder.

Social Notes of Wallace.

Wallace, Idaho, Special.—Mrs. Sam Jones is daily expecting her husband back from Thunder Mountains, where he has prosperous mining interest. Miss Amanda Booker has the only manicuring parlor in town, and business is good. She has the Alaska fever and may drop off any time. James Brown, our genial Sunday-school secretary, is still pushing on the good work. Mrs. Perkins & Mitchell's hand laundry is a howling success, and will have a new building in the spring. Tessie Mitchell will manage the business. Miss Maud Curtis of Palo Alto, Cal., gave a birthday party and entertained a few friends last week. Miss Lillie Green and Mr. Arthur Maxwell of Denver, Col., were married on the 9th, in Wallace, at the residence of the bride's mother. Mrs. A. Zenia Starling has the Spokane fever or the B. C. grip. Mrs. Retta Blue returned last week after visiting her mother and daughter in Washington. Mrs Julia Howard, who had a sudden stroke of paralysis some weeks ago, is recovering slowly. H. T. Owens anticipates building additional rooms and putting in a flower garden in the spring. Ed B. Saunders sparred a few rounds with chills and fever last week. The contest was a draw. Chills and fever should have the decision. Stetson's Uncle Tom's Cabin Company was entertained by the ladies of Wallace. The ladies' brass band was a feature of the parade.

Hot Springs News.

Hot Springs, Ark., Special.—Bird S. Neil left last week for Camden, Ark. W. Harthorne, headwaiter, with the able assistance of his second waiter and crew of thirty-five waiters are giving the best of satisfaction at the new Majestic hotel. Rev. P. W. Wall's home was blest last week with a fine baby boy. The waiters at the Eastman hotel must have made a successful season as they are all singing "I've Got Mine." Read The Freeman, the popular Negro journal.

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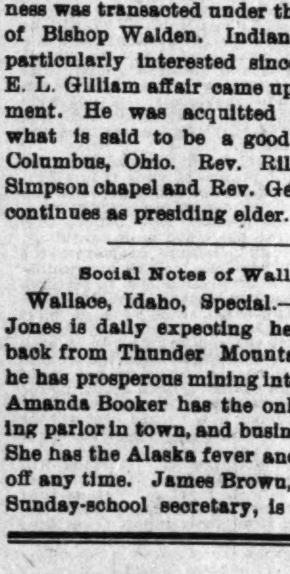

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